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ROME FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE

E.O. 11652: XGDS-3
TAGS: PFOR, VM, US, PDIP
SUBJECT: AMERICAN YACHT BRILLIG

REF: (A) PARIS 30566; (B) STATE 249542

1. AT 19:10 CHAYET TELEPHONED TO SAY THAT AFTER CONSUL-
TATIONS WITH HIS COLLEAGUES THE GOF WAS PREPARED, IN
PRINCIPLE, TO ASSIST THE USG IN EFFORTS TO HELP THE
CREW OF THE AMERICAN YACHT BRILLIG. AS HE HAD PREDICTED
(REF A), THE GOF WOULD EXPECT US TO INFORM THE SRV
EMBASSY HERE THAT WE HAVE ASKED THE GOF TO INTERVENE
TO CONTACT THE AMERICANS. WE SHOULD THEN CONFIRM WITH
THE GOF THAT WE HAVE INFORMED THE SRV. THE GOF WILL
THEN APPROACH THE SRV IN HANOI AND PARIS TO INFORM IT
THAT, ON THE REQUEST OF THE USG, IT WOULD LIKE SRV PER-
MISSION TO CONTACT THE CREW. CHAYET SAID THAT FRENCH
ASSISTANCE WAS, AT THIS TIME, LIMITED TO MAKING CONTACT
WITH THE CREW TO ASCERTAIN ITS WELFARE AND NEEDS, AND
THAT THE GOF DID NOT AT THIS TIME INTEND TO USE THE
CONTACT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY.

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2. UNLESS INSTRUCTED TO THE CONTRARY, WE SHALL, ON THE
BASIS OF REF B, APPROACH THE SRV EMBASSY TOMORROW TO
SAY THAT WE HAVE ASKED THE GOF TO SERVE AS AN INTERME-
DIARY TO VISIT THE BRILLIG CREWMEMBERS IN HO CHI MINH
VILLE. WE SHALL THEN INFORM THE GOF THAT OUR REQUEST
HAS BEEN FORMALLY MADE, AND THE GOF WILL THEN SEND INS-

TRUCTIONS TO HANOI AND CALL IN THE SRV REPRESENTATIVES
HERE. CHAYET SAID THAT HE THOUGHT THE HANOI APPROACH
WOULD BE QUICKER AND MORE EFFECTIVE.

3. CHAYET SAID THAT ONE COULD STILL NOT GUARANTEE THAT
THE SRV WOULD BE COOPERATIVE, BUT THE APPROACH NOTED
ABOVE SEEMED TO HIM BEST CALCULATED TO ENCOURAGE THEIR
COOPERATION.

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